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SGA ANNOUNCEMENT

For all those who have opted out of the SGA Health Plan, the cheques are now available for pick up. No student card, no cheque. Cheques will be held for a period of 6 months and then deemed void. Stop by the SGA office to pick up your cheque as of Monday November 2nd. This notice will be posted on the SGA Website, LAMBDA, Facebook and communicated via GroupWise through Public Affairs and through the SGA emailerv database.

Remember the 5th of November: the fight for affordable tuition continues



Photo by Luke Norton

Laurentian University students and staff march downtown Sudbury to lower tuition fees on Nov. 5.

Luke Norton
Lambda Staff

A large group of students braced a white wall of snow and a stone wall of government support when they gathered to rally for lower tuition and a poverty-free Ontario this past Thursday. The surprisingly large and boisterous group of undergraduate and graduate students were joined by members of the faculty, representatives from the

United Steelworkers, poverty activists and other concerned members of the community in their procession, which slinked its way up Paris Street and around the downtown core.

"We had to rally today, to show that we had the numbers, that people really do care about this issue," said Eric Blondin, a staffperson for the Graduate Student Association. The rally is part of a broader campaign, including rallies at 13 of Ontario's 19 universities,

and an upcoming day of lobbying of politicians directly at Queen's Park in early Dec.

"The private sector pays lobbyists thousands of dollars to wine and dine and lobby MPP's to reduce taxes," Blondin says, "but we students don't have money for expensive professional lobbyists, all we have is each other and our numbers. So each individual student adding to that means we have a one-stronger voice."

The procession was energetic, chanting their way through the Paris construction then stopping at various locations to hear from speakers who spoke on tuition, including a biology PhD student from France who spoke on the differences in his home country's education system, noting that many European nations provide tuition-free higher education, including travel grants and other subsidies. (Page 2)

University and Health Unit vs. H1N1

Candace Jazvac
Lambda Staff

According the Public Health Agency of Canada, as of Nov. 5 there have been 37 deaths associated with the H1N1 flu virus in Ontario.

Of those deaths, 7 had occurred between Nov.3 and 5. With statistics like these surfacing on a regular basis, it's not difficult to see why the public is reacting with panic and fear. And while everyone has their own take on how to handle the spread of the virus; Laurentian University has teamed up with the Sudbury District Health Unit to inform its students and staff on the best ways to keep themselves healthy.

The University has been working closely with the Sudbury District Health Unit for the last six months, preparing and consulting with one another on how to best keep students and staff healthy. Aside from installing the approximately 80 new hand sanitizer stations around campus, the University has been taking

many important precautionary measures to deal with the threat of an H1N1 pandemic situation. The Risk Management and Purchasing Department last revised its *University Pandemic Plan: Preparation, Management and Recovery* in July of this year, and is currently implementing the plan in accordance with recommendations from the Health Unit.

Laurentian University Chief of Staff and Director of Institutional Planning, Chris Mercer is confident that the University is effectively informing and protecting its staff and students.

"We are doing everything we can from a preventative standpoint" says Mercer.

He says that he feels that all aspects of the plan have gone smoothly thus far, and is pleased with the reaction he has been getting from students.

"[The] students have been very good about it; they have been very responsive."

As of last week, there had

been approximately 25 faculty and administrative staff members reporting flu-like symptoms. It is unclear as to how many of those included in that figure have the H1N1 strain of the virus, as it is recommended that any individual, staff or student, who is experiencing any flu-like symptoms stay home.

While the numbers of faculty who have been forced to stay home with symptoms has been relatively low, according to Mercer, there is still an effect felt in the classroom. Kelli Bugden, a third year English student in Concurrent Education has noticed her classes are less full than they would normally be.

"It's obvious that students are staying home because of the flu. Students who are known to come to every class are missing entire weeks of school, and they aren't just skipping to start their Christmas shopping early."

Bugden says that the effect of the H1N1 outbreak is seen in another classroom as well, her sixth

grade placement class at Wembley Public School.

"Teachers are finding that they are missing large portions of their class due to not only flu-like symptoms, but due to parents who are simply afraid that their kids will catch it from a classmate," says Bugden.

She says she is also concerned about becoming infected with the virus, as it could make completing her placement hours difficult.

"I am definitely more aware of my interactions with the students and how close I get to them. It seems almost paranoid at times, but you can't be too careful."

All students and staff who suspect they may have flu-like symptoms are strongly encouraged to stay home as to not infect others on campus. For more information on symptoms, vaccine clinics, and continuous updates on the H1N1 situation here and across the country, visit www.laurentian.ca and click on the link to the Pandemic Plan.

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Nov. 5th protest

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The procession then proceeded to a local soup kitchen, where sociology professor Gary Kinsmen spoke to the social costs of high tuition.

The most disappointing moment of the rally came when the large group paid a visit to Member

of Provincial Parliament Rick Bartolucci's office, only to be greeted by a staffer. It felt like even though the M.P.P. Wasn't there himself, perhaps the rally could have been served better by taking time to get people there to talk with the woman who came out and give

faces to the messaging. That said, the chants of "Boo! Boo! Bartolucci!" were humourously quite effective.

Next stop was the banking district at the corners of Cedar and Durham streets, where SGA VP Issues, Vanessa Butler gave an effective speech on the financial burdens for students. The group rounded out their procession through downtown by looping back to the municipal headquarters at Tom Davies' Square, where the p.a. system drew some onlookers from their desks. Here the elected student representatives, Rafiq Rahemtulla for the GSA, Brigitte Dupuis of the AEF, Richard Paquette from LAMPS, all gave their pitches for why lower tuition is important.

"Dropping fees is a good start, but we shouldn't have fees," fourth-year student Brigitte Pelletier-Cisneros summed up after the event.

"Education shouldn't be for an elite, it should be for everybody."

Ultimately, the rally was an effective demonstration. It garnered coverage on all the news media, making the nightly news, the major papers, and radio, and drew a lot of honking and verbal support from passing motorists and pedestrians.

There were many young faces in the crowd, as first and second year students seemed to form a large part of the group. Interestingly, the overwhelming majority of the participants were young women, which, unfortunately for my gender, kind of proved the old adage about girls

ruling, and boys drooling.

The fight, however, is far from over if students are actually serious about reducing tuition. It's clear that the Ontario Liberals are on pretty shaky footing politically right now, and they are only going to be prepared to support whatever there is a large voting population behind. It's clear that whatever internal mechanism they have running to formulate a plan for tuition, its answer is going to be to raise it. Students and their families really need to make that continually chosen option politically untenable if they want to avoid the future predicted by the Toronto Dominion Bank, whose deputy chief economist wrote in a recent report that a baby born today could be paying \$137,013 for a university degree by the time they were 17. Now that's something to think about.

"Dropping fees is a good start, but we shouldn't have fees. Education shouldn't be for an elite, it should be for everybody."

Brigitte Pelletier-Cisneros
Protestor

LU grad and Olympic swimmer to carry torch to Sudbury



Photo Supplied

Former Olympian and Laurentian student Alex Baumann will carry the Olympic Flame through the city of Greater Sudbury on Jan. 2, 2010.

Baumann swam to victory for two gold medals in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles. His victories came in the 200m and the 400m IM, which were Canada's first gold medals in swimming in 72 years. To celebrate the arrival of the flame, a community celebration will be held downtown Sudbury on Jan. 2, 2010. Baumann will arrive part way through the ceremony to light a cauldron, replicating the cauldron of actual Olympic Winter Games ceremony, with the Olympic Flame.

Residence Still Rocks

Joseph McGibbon
Contributor

Oct. has come and gone and residence is now all a buzz about an exciting Nov. to come filled with lots of activities. Oct. has been the month of breaks, with thanksgiving and the first reading week. However, students in residence have also been very busy trying to ace their midterms and I am confident by the amount of energy drinks and caffeine that was consumed they may have just met their goals.

The month brought the start of the residence hockey league and a wide variety of Sunday sports for the floors to participate in and have some fun meeting new people on the playing field. The students in residence are now starting to feel more and more at home every day and finding their place in residence, in the community, and here at Laurentian University. They, like everyone else, realized why they came here to our great school, and for the most part, are just as happy as I was to be here way back when I was actually a resident in Single Student Residence.

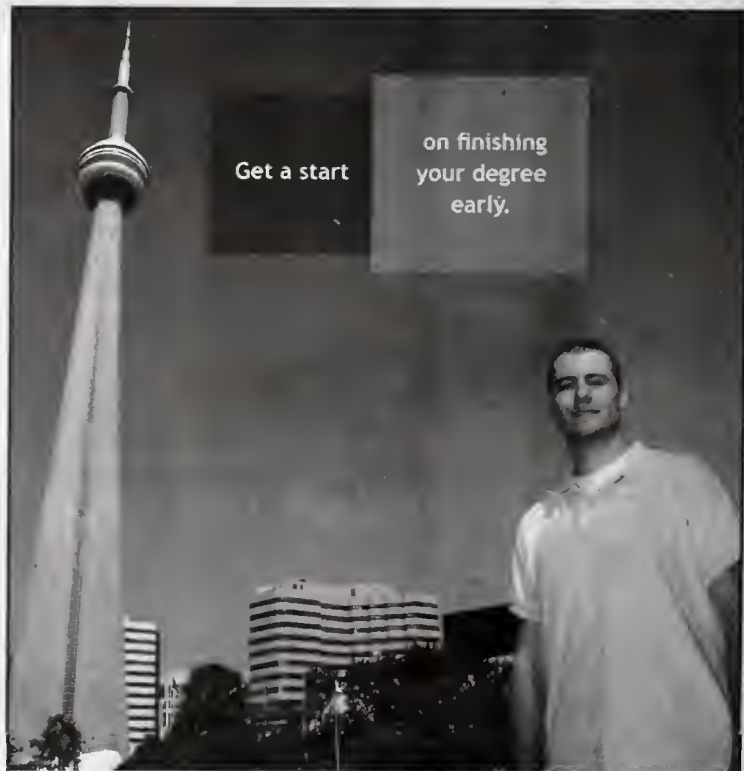
November brings some

October's Resident of the Month - Nelson Osamudiamen

I don't usually like to give awards to staff members of our complex, however I couldn't overlook all Nelson has done for our complex in the month of Oct. Nelson is a Community Advisor in West Residence and has worked very hard to ensure everything is going well for his 43 residents on his floor. Nelson always brings a smile and laughter to everyone around him and no one ever has a bad word to say about him. Nelson studies hard and sets the good example for all of the residents in the complex. Recently, Nelson has made me very proud after making some great decisions and being there for people when they were in need. Thanks so much Nelson!

exciting events. On Nov. 13th there is a Sudbury Wolves night to raise money for the Northern Ontario Cancer Research Center, tickets are only \$10. Nov. 21st will be where the talent of Laurentian comes out to perform to raise money for the Easter Seals Foundation at the LUL's Got Talent event that will be held in the Fraser Auditorium. Tickets to see LUL's Got Talent are \$5 each. Last but certainly not least on Nov. 22nd the students will be participating in a swim relay to raise money for the arthritis society. Contact the Residence Life Office if you would like any more information or buy tickets or donate funds to any of these events.

The buzz has also started in residence about the biggest event of the year, Airbandz for cancer which is scheduled for Feb. 6th, 2010. The organizing committee is working really hard to figure out how to make the show bigger than better than ever before and raise more funds than ever before, which is no small task given the fact that last years total donated to the Northern Ontario Cancer Research Center was over \$17,000.



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The Learning Clinic: “It’s not my problem!”

Robert Kirwan
Contributor

Have you ever found yourself listening to the concerns of other people and breathed a sigh of relief that it was their problem and not yours? How many times have you yourself approached someone with a problem of your own only to be told, “I can’t help you. That’s not my job! You will have to go somewhere else to get help.”

We live in a very strange world today. It is entirely possible for one to live for years without ever speaking to your neighbour, or without ever getting involved in any part of your community. It is also entirely possible to enjoy your own problem-free life without ever considering the problems being faced by others around you. But you can never escape the fact that we are all “connected” in some way and we are all “interdependent” upon each other for our survival and well-being. Furthermore, we all share each other’s problems in one way or another. The most dangerous thing we can do is adopt the attitude that when someone or some group in our community is facing a serious challenge, we can simply turn away and state that “it is not my problem”.

In fact we are so connected to each other that it is wise to actually go out of our way to help solve the problems of others as a means of protecting our own interests. For example, it is better to volunteer to do some work to fix up the neighbourhood playground in order to give local youth some place to work off their energies in a positive way rather than have them roam the streets raiding your garden or causing disturbances that ruin your



own peace and quiet.

I came across a little story about a mouse trap that will help explain what I mean. A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package. “What food might this contain?” The mouse wondered. He was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap. Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning. “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!” The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said, “Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it.”

The mouse turned to the pig and told him, “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!”

The pig sympathized, but said, “I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers.”

The mouse turned to the cow and said, “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!”

The cow said, “Wow, Mr. Mouse, I’m sorry for you,

but it’s no skin off my nose.”

So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer’s mousetrap-- alone. That very night a sound was heard throughout the house -- like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer’s wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer’s wife.

The farmer rushed her to the hospital and she returned home with a fever. Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup’s main ingredient.

But his wife’s sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig. The farmer’s wife did not get well; she died.

So many people came for her funeral that the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them.

The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness.

So, the next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn’t concern you, remember -- when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage one another.

I would like to invite all of my readers to tune in to my radio show every Monday from 6 to 8 p.m. on CKLU 96.7 FM, or listen to the live streaming over the web site at www.cclu.ca.

Rules of the Game: Q&A



Ace Kirkwood
Contributor

I am so pleased to have gotten some emails after my first article. Keep the questions coming. AceofLaid@gmail.com I’m only focusing on one question this week as I just had so much to say.

Q: I have a question concerning dating and when/when not to pay for stuff. At what point (if any) should I pay for both of us when dating? I don’t want to get the woman into the mindset of “courtship.” What should a man pay for when he’s dating?

A: This is common problem people (especially guys) face. Who pays the tab? It’s especially critical for many of you readers. This is a campus paper, and as you’ll likely read in other articles, a lot of your money goes into paying for education.

I am of the camp that paying for dates, especially right away, is a terrible idea.

1. It sets you up as the one who is “pursuing” the woman, which symbolically gives away your power to her.

2. It can be expensive.

3. It usually causes women to play even “harder to get”.

4. It triggers all kinds of “courtship” behaviours. Like her making you prove yourself, waiting to have sex, etc.

5. The places you’ll be going to “pay” are often not the best places to actually get to know another human being. Movies, fancy dinners, etc., aren’t natural environments and they don’t lead to people “being themselves”.

So, what’s the alternative?

Most guys just naturally assume that if they’re “taking a girl out” that they need to take her to a show or movie, a nice dinner, etc. This is actually part of a much bigger issue, that most guys feel obliged to give things to women, buy them things and basically pay for their attention and affection. (Pg. 4)

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This is wrong. Attraction is not a choice. You don't have to empty your pockets to have a great time. Do you and your friends always go out to dinners and movies together? Probably not.

Of course, these are basically the WORST places to go with a woman in the beginning because, as I mentioned above, they aren't very "natural" places to be. Instead of asking a woman "out to dinner", try saying, "Let's meet for a cup of tea. This way, if YOU turn out to be a complete freak, I can run away easily." This will get a laugh, and it will get her thinking to herself, "Wow, this guy is qualifying me."

When you meet for tea, actually drink tea (or iced tea). Because coffee makes your breath nasty and tea is perceived as a more "classy" drink.

After you have tea for 30 or 60 minutes, decide how YOU like HER. If you want to continue, bring her somewhere else. Shopping, to a music show, to a bar (if you try to buy her drinks and get her drunk I will personally slap you), a nice walk, or back to your place to do something. Any activity that you would enjoy. If you are having fun and she is worth keeping, she will have fun too. In fact, she will probably be relieved that you are acting different than the awkward high pressure schmuck who bought her that crappy lasagne last weekend.

Priestess' Prior to the Fire: A Review

Pat Suley
Contributor

Most of you just saw the name of the band and had that awful feeling where you can't remember how you know them. It was probably when people still played Guitar Hero (admit it, you have blown the dust off that piece of crap guitar in months). Priestess can thank most of their fame on their song "Lay Down" making it on Guitar Hero 3.

Priestess is a strange mix of metal with mid 1970s style prog-rock. A combination that doesn't exactly get people salivating but works surprisingly well. Anyone who heard their 2005 debut "Hello Master" would likely agree.

I would defiantly say this album trumps their debut. It comes at a much faster, more aggressive paced with songs like "Lady Killer"

but still has those fun moments of exploration in tracks like "The Gem" and "Sideways Attack".

My big complaint with Priestess is the vocals. Really, Mikey Heppner's voice is far better suited for the less vocally demanding genre of punk music which he handled pretty well in The Dropouts (All you "Up Tha Punx" folks please send your hate mail. Unless hate mail is now conformist)



Really, the vocals can not match the intensity of the musical efforts of the band and are not quirky enough to make up for it.

This is a fun album, something Priestess fans will absolutely love. If you'd be interested in a heavier, modern day approach to "classic rock" (the Q92 playing AC[lightning bolt]DC every 30 minutes definition) then this is could be your thing.

Rating: *** (out of five)

Thorneloe holds a Midsummer Night's Dream auditions



On Nov. 16 and 17, Thorneloe is holding open auditions for its latest production, William Shakespeare's classic comedy of errors, A Midsummer Night's Dream.

It's the classic story of Lysander and Hermia, forbidden lovers who run away from their disapproving families to be together. Unfortunately Demetrius, the man Hermia is being forced to marry by her father, is in hot pursuit. And unfortunately for Demetrius, Helena, Hermia's best friend and adorer of Demetrius is hot on his trail. The company all wind up confused and

enchanted by the actions of Oberon, the King of the Fairies and his mischievous assistant Puck.

All the while, Oberon seeks revenge on Queen of the Fairies Titania by making her fall in love with a local actor with the head of an ass. Hilarity ensues.

Auditions will take place in room T260 in Thorneloe College from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Auditioning actors and actresses must prepare a 1-minute Shakespeare monologue and 16 bars of a folk song.

For further information, contact Dr. Ian MacLennan at 673-1730 ext. 24.

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Sudbury fights for a PET Scanner

Carol Hartman
Chair HRSRH Board of Directors

The discussion around bringing a Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scanner to northeastern Ontario has heightened public interest in PET and its benefits to patients as a leading edge diagnostic tool that helps to identify and guide the treatment of serious illness.

It has also mobilized many concerned members of our community to advocate for what is an equity and access to care issue for residents of our region.

The Hôpital regional de Sudbury Regional Hospital (HRSRH) supports fair and equitable access for people living in the northeast to this valuable diagnostic tool. The hospital's role is to advocate and determine the resource requirements that will allow us to respond to the needs of our people. You have been clear in your desire to have access to this advancement in care. This is why the Board of Directors passed a motion to create a Northeastern Ontario PET Scan Advisory Group.

We believe this Advisory Group represents a significant step forward in the goal of creating equitable access to PET Scan technology for the patients we serve. The Group will ensure we have the appropriate community support, clinical and financial expertise for the development of a business case for a PET Scan in the northeast from a clinical, research, operational, and

financial perspective.

The purpose of the business case is to inform the HRSRH's Board, our health care partners and people across the region as to what will be required for the acquisition of a PET Scanner for Sudbury and northeastern Ontario. It is important that we be able to clearly demonstrate for the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care the need in our region for this investment.

We know there will be significant challenges in bringing a PET Scanner to northeastern Ontario. Limited OHIP approvals, capped clinical volumes, one-time and recurring operating costs and funding limitations are some of the issues we will need to address.

Nevertheless, the hospital has a stated responsibility for being accountable to its patients and the communities we serve by constantly advocating for and seeking resources to provide the best, safest and most appropriate health care services.

We take our responsibility to the communities we serve with the utmost gravity. Through the Northeastern Ontario PET Scan Advisory Group, we have set ourselves on the path to achieving the goal of fair and equitable access to PET Scan technology for northeastern Ontario.

To view the presentation given to the HRSRH Board of Directors on October 13, please visit www.hrsrh.on.ca.

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Nicholas Ruscitti returns: Get the popcorn ready!



Nicholas Ruscitti
Sports Editor

I'm back for another year as LAMBDA's Sports Editor and I'm more than excited for what is sure to be another action packed year in the world of sports.

In this first article I'll get you up to speed with some background information about myself as well as a few ways that you, the readers, can get involved.

I am a third year SPAD student from Barrie, Ontario. I moved to Sudbury specifically for the SPAD program and so far I am glad I made the decision. As Sports Editor I am responsible for keeping you all up to date on the latest sports news as well as offering my opinion on some controversial topics throughout the year. In addition to this position with Lambda, I am also a sports information writer for the Laurentian Voyageurs Athletics Department.

In high school I was a multi-sport varsity athlete and participated in volleyball, basketball, rugby and football throughout my four years. I also played hockey throughout my life and continue to do so here in the SPAD shinny league. When I realized I wasn't going to be an athlete at the university level I immediately shifted my focus to sports writing.

Although sports writing is my new focus, I am a sports fan first and foremost. Growing up just an hour away from Toronto, I have been an avid Leafs and Jays fan my entire life. I am also a religious follower of the NFL and my favourite team, the Buffalo Bills. As I grew older, I realized that there is more to life than watching the Leafs and the Bills lose. My interest in sports in Toronto slowly shifted from hockey to basketball. Naturally, I became a diehard Raptors fan and I am extremely excited for the 2009 NBA

season.

With nine new editions including Hedu Turkoglu and Jarrett Jack, the Raptors look like they will be able to bounce back from a disappointing season a year ago. Look for rookie Demar Derosan and rising star Andrea Bargnani to have a serious impact this season. There have already been glimpses of Raptor greatness early on in the 2009 season but consistency is going to be a key element for the new-look roster. Count on Chris Bosh to have yet another all-star caliber season as he will no doubt be playing harder than ever with a new contract in view. Be on the lookout for more articles about the Raptors throughout the season, as I will be frequently updating you on the status of the team along with my own thoughts on the boys in red.

Another thing I want to do as the Sports Editor is keep everyone updated on varsity sports throughout the year. I will be including all of the varsity press releases from the writers over at the athletics department in order to keep everyone informed about the progress of our varsity teams.

The most important part of the LAMBDA is community involvement. The newspaper features articles from students here in the Laurentian community on a bi-weekly basis. This is something that has been lacking in the sports department over the last few years. Therefore, I would strongly encourage anyone who is interested to submit their sports articles so that they can be shared with the rest of the Laurentian community.

My primary goal as Sports Editor is to provide the Laurentian community with all the sports news it can handle. It is important that you, the readers, are given the information you need, and I am fully committed to providing that information accurately.

13 is the lucky number for LU swim team

Kyleigh Commito
Sports Information Writer

The Laurentian Aqua Vees hosted the Waterloo Warriors, York Lions and Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks on Halloween weekend at the Jenő Tihanyi Olympic Gold Pool.

The Aqua Vees swam to impressive finishes, capturing a total of 13 first place titles.

Swimmers who captured first place finishes were Kyleigh Commito (Sudbury, Ont) in the 400 and 1500-metre freestyle events the 200 individual medley; Emily Jones (Orangeville, Ont) in the 50-metre backstroke; Mike Murray (Ajax, Ont) in the 100 and 200-metre freestyle events; Jenn Piper (North Bay, Ont) in the 100, 200 and 800-metre freestyle events and the 50-metre butterfly; Blair Smith (Cobourg, Ont) in the 50-metre butterfly and the 400-metre freestyle and the women's 800-metre freestyle relay composed of Commito, Piper, Brittany Maltais

(Trenton, Ont) and Jessica Pothier (Orillia, Ont).

The team performed exceptionally well as each member of the team scored points, by placing in the top 16 in each event.

The Aqua Vees had split results against the opposing teams as the women were defeated by the Warriors by a score of 1129 to 783, but were able to hold off the Golden Hawks with a score 869 to 708. On the men's side, they were defeated by the Warriors with a score of 1083 to 582 and the Lions with a score of 691 to 571, but were able to hold off the Golden Hawks with a score of 596.5 to 560.5.

The Aqua Vees next dive in at the University of Guelph on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15 for the Enyon Divisional Championships against Guelph, McMaster University, York University, Brock University, Queen's University and Carleton University.

Men's soccer team ousted from playoffs

Michael Przybylowski
Sports Information Writer

The Laurentian Voyageurs ended their season with a heart breaking 4-0 defeat to the number five ranked University of Toronto Varsity Blues on Oct. 31.

Nordo Gooden of Kingston, Jamaica scored the opening goal in the first half. Toronto FC developmental player Gabe Gala of Brampton, Ontario added to the scoring in the second half followed by two insurance goals by Geoffrey Borgmann of Mississauga, Ontario. John Smits also of Mississauga kept the shut-out for the Varsity Blues while Scott Cliff of Hanmer, Ontario tended the Voyageurs net for the final time of his university career.

The Voyageurs went into the game missing a couple of players due illness. They came out in the first half and matched the Blues step for step in the first 35 minutes. In

the 36th minute Gooden broke the dead-lock and the led his team into half with a 1-0 score.

In the second half, the Toronto came out rolling led by Gala's 47th minute goal. Borgmann would put the finishing touches on the night in the 56th and 61st minute giving Toronto a 4-0 lead. The Voyageurs, a bit dejected after this, tried very hard to battle back, but some costly cards led to the ejection of Daniel O'Connor of Ajax, Ontario and Hamilton native Dan Mazzuca. Roger Teves of Brampton had a strong game for the Voyageurs.

"After the second goal the wheels fell off and we couldn't battle back," said head coach Carlo Castrechino. "We got a couple of red cards and even with a couple of men down, we battled right to the end."

"I am very proud of the boys; especially the graduating boys and we left everything on the field while losing to a great team."

Girls' X-Country team take 7th at OUAs

Steve Rachkowski
Sports Information Coordinator

The Laurentian Lady Vees cross-country running team competed at the OUA championships on the Brock campus in St. Catharines Halloween weekend and returned with a seventh-place finish in the 16-team field.

The Laurentian team utilized exceptional team running, with the top-five scorers finishing in a pack within four seconds of each other.

The race began with Heather Stroeder of Hanover, Ontario moving into the top-ten group and pulling her teammates along with her. At the 2K mark, Lindsay Anderson of Ottawa took the team lead, closely followed by Stroeder, Gracie Tetzlaff of Trenton, Ontario, Emma Tallman of Mindemoya, Ontario and Maggie Robins of Port Perry, Ontario. The squad remained closely bunched as they burst onto the finish-field. With 300m to go, it was Robins and Tallman in the lead with Tetzlaff, Stroeder and Anderson

tight behind.

Tallman caught Robins with a finish-line dip as Robins piled into a McMaster runner in the chute. Tetzlaff and Stroeder were close behind, while Anderson protected the pack by fighting off a furious finish by McMaster's Victoria Coates.

The Vees average time of 19:18 over the five-kilometre course was the second-best in Laurentian history and their score of 170 was an improvement of 55 points over last year's OUA finish. Anderson finished as the 5th best OUA rookie in the race.

"To finish all five scorers within four seconds is rare," said head coach, Dick Moss. "The girls were encouraging each other throughout the race, talking and tapping each other to keep everyone moving. It was the best exhibition of team running that I've seen."

The Lady Vees next competition is the CIS Championships in Kingston on Nov. 14th.

Laurentian men's golf team's season ends well

Martin Rourke
Athletic Marketing and Media
Relations Officer

The Laurentian Voyageurs men's golf team completed their most successful season in their young history in 2009. It was a year that saw them win two tournaments as well as claim a first-team OUA all-star, Matt Bortolotto and Coach of the Year, Paul Schwyer.

The team had late try-outs and was selected on September the 20th. They would turn around and go to London, Ontario on Thursday, September 24th. The 2009 Voyageurs consisted of three returnees captain John Atherton of Toronto, Max Kallio of Lively, Ont. and Matt Bortolotto of Sudbury, Ont., and welcomed Sudbury rookies Brennan Doyle, Scott Lavigne and Alex Lisowski.

The team would gel and produce immediately, winning the Western Invitational with a total score of 303, beating Stirling University of Scotland on a tie breaker. Atherton would finish second individually, shooting a 73.

The Voyageurs would hit the links the next day, September 25th at the second Western Invitational and post back-to-back wins, led by Atherton and Lavigne who both shot 73 en route to a team total of 296, two shots ahead of the Waterloo Warriors.

Early season success unfortunately did not follow the Voyageurs when they returned to action on October 3rd and 4th at the Waterloo/Laurier Invitational. Atherton would again lead the Voyageurs with a two day total of 147 good enough for tied fifth spot individually. The team would also finish fifth overall.

Their final event before the OUA championships was the Guelph Invitational. The team would finish with a total of 313, which placed them seventh. Atherton would again lead the way to an individual eighth place finish.

OUA championships would take place at the prestigious Angus Glen golf club in Markham, Ontario, a course that the Canadian Open had been held on. It would take place on October 20th and 21st. The team would once again finish seventh overall, with Bortolotto taking home fourth place honours, with a two-day 145 score.

Despite the late year struggles there were many bright spots for the Voyageurs golf squad this year including Bortolotto's performance against the provinces' best, earning him a first team all-star selection. The team also posted two victories in tough tournaments. Head coach Paul Schwyer was named the OUA coach of the year for the first time in his career. Bortolotto took home his second OUA all-star award, being named to the second team a year ago.

"It's truly an honour to be the coach of this team and to be associated with former winners such as Dave Hollinger and Jim Waite," said Schwyer.



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2009 a Brees for Saints



Nicholas Ruscitti
Sports Editor

It has been smooth sailing for the first half of the 2009 NFL season for the New Orleans Saints. With Drew Brees behind center, the Saints are still undefeated (8-0) and they show no signs of slowing down.

The Saints, who have the #1 ranked offense in the league will look to take advantage of a more than favourable schedule in the second half of the season.

With household names like Tom Brady and Payton Manning in the spotlight at the quarterback position, it is easy to overlook the pro-bowl calibre season that Saints' quarterback Drew Brees is having this year. But don't tell that to Brees, who has led his team to an incredible undefeated record over the first half of the NFL season. With 17 touchdowns and just 7 interceptions over the first 8 games and a passer rating of 106.1, it is no wonder NFL analysts are labelling him as the best quarterback of 2009. Couple that with over 2300 passing yards and a backfield who rushes for over 150 yards per game, and you have got yourself a Super Bowl contender in New Orleans.

The Saints played their toughest competition to date in week eight against the Atlanta Falcons and were able to stay undefeated despite turning the ball over four times. Brees passed for over 300 yards and 3 touchdowns but still wasn't satisfied with the Saints efforts.

"I don't think we played that great today," Brees said, "I think our best is yet to come."

It's a pretty bold statement for a guy who has yet to lose a game all season. Though it may

seem impossible for a team to be better than perfect, one look at the Saints' schedule might turn you into a believer. Five of the Saints remaining eight games are against teams with losing records, including the Carolina Panthers and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers who only have one win apiece. In fact, their only real tests will come in weeks 12 and 15 when the Saints will take on the Patriots and Cowboys respectively. And although a repeat of the Patriots perfect season in 2007 is far from a reality, don't write the Saint's chances off just yet. With their remaining eight opponents' combined win percentage of just .423, the Saints could pull off the second perfect season in just three years.

Saints' running back Reggie Bush certainly isn't ruling out the possibility of a perfect season. When asked on Sporting News Radio if the Saints could go undefeated this season Bush replied, "Can we go undefeated? Yes. I do think we have the players, the chemistry, we have the heart and dedication, the coaching staff."

But predictions are nothing new for the highly touted running back out of USC, who responded to criticism about his lack of consistent production by saying, "Once I do win an NFL MVP, once we do win a Super Bowl, once I am in the Pro Bowl, it's going to be that much more special because of all the criticism that I had to come through and because of the work I've put into it, it'll mean that much more to me and I'll appreciate it more."

Take it or leave it, the Saints have a chance to do something special in 2009.

Men's basketball team falls short

Matt Doherty
Sports Information Writer

The Laurentian Voyageurs were on the road Nov. 7 only to fall to the eighth ranked Windsor Lancers 100-77 in front of a large hometown crowd.

George Serresse of Sudbury, Ontario led the Voyageurs in scoring with 21 points and one assist, while Lancers Isaac Kuon of Mississauga, Ontario led all scorers with 24 points.

The Voyageurs got off to a slow start and were outscored 30-23 in the first quarter. Both teams' three point shooting percentages were higher than their field goal percentages with the Voyageurs shooting 48% and 33.3% respectively. The Lancers would even top the Voyageurs in this static making 57.9% of their three point attempts with a 50% field goal percentage.

The second quarter was more of the same as the Voyageurs failed to close the gap and lost the quarter 26-15. This 11 point differential in the quarter was the largest in the game and left the score entering half time 56-38 in favour of the Lancers.

Shawn Swords must have inspired the Voyageurs at half time because they were able to battle back to within eight points to make the game 60-52. The quarter saw the Voyageurs outscore the Lancers 22-17 but they were not unable to overcome the deficit from the previous two frames. Manny Pasquale from Victoria had 20 points and three assists while Andrew Lalonde from Sudbury, Ontario helped the Voyageurs with eight assists. The Lancers were able to regain control of the game in the fourth quarter and pulled away from the Voyageurs to make the final 100-77.

"A better effort than last night, but we still gave up way too many offensive rebounds" said head coach Shawn Swords. "Were looking forward to this week of practice and getting our first win next weekend at home."

Make sure to check www.luvoyageurs.com to follow the Voyageurs (0-2) as they face the Brock Badgers (1-1) Nov. 13 at the Ben Avery Gym. Game time is 8 p.m.

Five Voyageurs take home OUA Awards

Martin Rourke
Athletic Marketing and Media Relations Officer

On Nov. 3, Ontario University Athletics announced its 2009 OUA east major award winners and all-stars.

The Voyageurs were well represented taking home three first-team all-stars, Scott Cliff, Dan Mazzuca and Dan Keir, as well as a second-team all-star in David Hysen and Coach of the Year, Carlo Castrechino.

Cliff of Sudbury finished his university career by being named an OUA first team all-star for the second straight year. The Voyageurs goalkeeper was as solid as it comes between the pipes, posting a 6-6-2 record. In 14 games played he allowed 15 goals against, made 56 saves and posted five shutouts. He was a two time Laurentian Keg Steakhouse and Bar Athlete of the Week, and CIS Blackberry athlete of the week.

Hamilton native Mazzuca, played his final year of eligibility with the Voyageurs after being a two-time all-star with the Brock Badgers. The defender was the rock of Laurentian's defence. He played in 11 games, and was instrumental in key wins at Queen's and at Carleton. His soccer knowledge and ability to read plays are what won him this award. He was named a Laurentian

Keg Steakhouse and Bar Athlete of the Week.

Keir also of Hamilton returned to the pitch after a season ending knee injury last year. It was also his fifth and final year of eligibility. The Voyageurs captain led on and off the field. On the field he scored six goals to lead the team on the year, including two multi-goal games and four game winning goals. This is the second time that Keir has been named an all-star, he was a 2006 second team all-star.

Sudbury native Hysen was named a second team all-star, it was the first time in his university career he was recognized. The big defender and long throw in specialist made an impact in all 12 games that he played in. He was solid in his defensive duties and chipped in with a goal against the regular season OUA east champion Blues. Hysen was the first Laurentian Keg Steakhouse and Bar male athlete of the week this year.

Castrechino of Sudbury finished up his 10th year at the helm of the Voyageurs. He was named OUA east coach of the year for leading the Voyageurs to a 6-6-2 record. Castrechino's Voyageurs finished fourth in the OUA east and defeated the Ryerson Rams on penalty kicks in the first round of the playoffs before bowing out to a strong U of T team.



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Lady Vees basketball lose on road

Matt Doherty
Sports Information Writer

The Laurentian Lady Vees took to the court in Windsor, Ontario on Saturday Nov. 7 only to fall to the third ranked Windsor Lancers 80-54.

A slow start by the Lady Vees could not be over come despite receiving an outstanding performance by Katie Goggins of Hanmer, Ontario who had 23 points and five assists, while New Hamburg, Ontario native Darrah Bumstead chipped in with nine points and 15 rebounds in the loss.

The opening quarter seemed to lack a smooth flow as both teams turned the ball over on a number of occasions. The Lancers took an early lead as they were able to string together runs of five and nine points. The Lady Vees shooting percentage was well below their average while the Lancers continued to pour in shots from every angle. The Lady

Vees could not find the basket often enough and were down 18-9 after the first quarter.

The second quarter opened on a positive note as the Lady Vees scored the first two points however this was short lived as the Lancers responded with a pair of their own on their next possession. Again, the Lancers would continue to build on their lead stringing together a 13 point run which left the Lady Vees on their heels. The Lancers used their speed to capitalize on fast break points pulling even further ahead of the Vees. The closing seconds of the quarter ended in celebration for the Vees as the ball found the net from just inside half court just as the buzzer sounded. However, the Lancers took a 41-19 lead into the locker room.

The third quarter was more positive for the Lady Vees as they seemed to be finding their scoring touch. The Lancers would not back down and continued to respond with baskets of their own. The

Lancers worked the ball around very efficiently and took advantage of open spaces to increase their lead even further entering the fourth quarter.

Whatever head coach, Mike Clarke said to the Lady Vees before starting the fourth quarter inspired them to outscore the Lancers 25-19 in the frame which saw a completely different Lady Vees team. The Vees were able to produce six more points in this quarter alone than they generated in the entire first half. The lead was insurmountable nonetheless and the Lancers took the victory 80-54 in front of their hometown crowd.

"It's tough on the road against really good teams," said head coach Mike Clarke. "They played really good defensively and we struggled to score in the first half."

Follow the Lady Vees (1-2) at www.luvoyageurs.com as they try to rebound against the Brock Badgers (2-0) November 13 at the Ben Avery Gym. Game time is 6 p.m.

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